

The Award Winning Jimmy Carter Library & Museum

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National Archives Selects Former Atlantan to Head Carter Presidential Library

Washington, DC. . . Archivist of the United States David S. Ferriero today announced the appointment of Dr. Meredith Evans as the new Director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum in Atlanta, Georgia, effective November 29.

In making the announcement, the Archivist said, "Dr. Evans's extensive experience in archives and special collections, especially in the areas of access and digitization, will be of tremendous value to the National Archives."

Dr. Evans comes to the Carter Presidential Library from Washington University in St. Louis, where she oversaw the Department of Special Collections. Dr. Evans also has held senior leadership positions at George Washington University and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. In these roles, she has helped obtain important photograph and document collections for the institutions, and has promoted digitization projects to make materials more easily available to researchers. As curator of printed materials at Atlanta University Center's library, Dr. Evans participated on an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation—funded project to process and digitize the papers and books of Martin Luther King, Jr. She also has led fundraising campaigns that have strengthened and expanded library collections and staffing.

Dr. Evans taught library science courses at several universities, including Clark Atlanta University, and recently published *Modern Special Collections: Embracing the Future While Taking Care of the Past*, in which she discusses the strategic thinking needed to ensure the history and cultural memory reflected in collections.

The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is one of 13 libraries in the Presidential Library system administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. The Presidential Libraries and Museums house the records of Presidents Herbert Hoover through George W. Bush and preserve and provide access to historical materials, support research, and create interactive programs and exhibits that educate and inspire.

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